

December 2010

## **NEWS AND EVENTS**

#### Task Force Looks at Western and Likes What it Sees

What do others see when they take a "fresh look" at Western? For several of the 14 members of the "Fresh Look at Community Colleges Task Force," Western was an eye-opener.

One member called Western, "one of our most important partners in economic development."

The committee saw presentations on our traveling exhibit "Always



Dr. Lucey addresses members of the task force in Sarah Winnemucca Hall.

Lost: A Meditation on War;" our "Bridge to Success" program that brings students into college who never expected to attend; and the "Carson City Manufacturers Collaborative," among other presentations about the college.

For task force information, http://system.nevada.edu/FLNCC/index.htm

#### WNC Foundation Recognizes Donors Who Support Scholarships

The WNC Foundation wishes to recognize the generosity of 2010-2011 scholarship donors. WNC has awarded 140 scholarships totaling \$136,880, with the WNC Foundation funds contributing \$125,880 of this total to 132 of the recipients. <a href="http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-12-03b.php">http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-12-03b.php</a>

## **ARTS**

# College Choir Presents "The Magic of Winter"

Get into a holiday mood with Western's always well-received choir and its free holiday concert, "The Magic of Winter," will be presented Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Sarah Winnemucca Hall in the Aspen Building.

Choir director Bill Zabelsky mixes traditional music with unique selections that are sure to delight the audience. Songs include "It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas" and "The Magic of Winter." Also performing will be the Douglas High School Madrigal Singers with "Westminster Carol" and "Deck the Hall."



# Three New Art Exhibits Debut at WNC Carson City

The works of artists Alison Harris, Jill Brugler and Michelle Legras Peltier exhibit at the Carson City Galleries through Thursday, Jan. 27.

The public is invited to a free reception to meet the artists, Wednesday, Dec. 8, 5-6:30 p.m. <a href="http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-12-03a.php">http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-12-03a.php</a>



Michelle Legras Peltier's "Blue Jay"

## **COLLEGE CORNER**

#### Bookstore Buy-Back Deadline Approaching

The Carson City and Fallon campus bookstores are gearing up for Buy Back and Rental returns. Buy Back represents an opportunity for the students to get some extra cash before the holidays.

Rental returns must be completed by Friday, Dec. 17, to avoid extra fees and charges. The bookstores at both Carson City and Fallon campuses will operate extended evening hours, Monday-Thursday, Dec. 13-16, to facilitate the returns process for the students.

For information, visit WNC Carson City Bookstore or WNC Fallon Bookstore.

#### Employee Giving Campaign Going Strong

A space theme for Western's employee giving campaign is entirely appropriate considering the college observatory is made possible by donations to the WNC Foundation. The theme, "One Small Gift From You- One Giant Leap for Western," seems to be resonating. More than half of our employees, 123 of 223, have already donated in the campaign that runs through Friday, Dec. 17.

To participate, contact Paul Eastwood or Helaine Jesse Morres.

## Information about myWNC Now Available Online

Students can begin reviewing information about the transition to the college's new student information system, myWNC, on the WNC web site. The new system will have several advanced



features including the functionality to check grades online, view progress on a degree, review financial information, sign up for classes and much more.

In preparation for the transition to the new system, all students need to have an active e-mail address on file with Admissions and Records. View information about myWNC milestones at <a href="http://www.wnc.edu/files/mywnc.pdf">http://www.wnc.edu/files/mywnc.pdf</a>

# Giving Back to Community WNC Employee Spearheads New Dog Park



J.W. Lazzari and his dog at the James Lee Dog Park opening.

Kathryn Clark-Ross of the Financial Assistance office had a vision for a dog park to serve the residents of Indian Hills, just south of Carson City, and her commitment to the project paid off with the recent opening of a park just for dogs at James Lee Park.

The new park opened Saturday, Oct. 9, with a grand opening event and dog show. Approximately 200 people attended the opening, including WNC's own JW Lazzari and Jennifer Wray, and their furry friends.

The 13,000-square-foot fenced park offers a safe place for people to take their dogs to encourage socialization, exercise, play and promote responsible pet ownership. The facility has benched seating areas, trees and a grassy area, tunnels and fire hydrants, running water, and doggie bags.

Donations are accepted to maintain and enhance the park. For donation information, see Kathryn Clark-Ross in Financial Assistance.

### **ATHLETICS**



## Buy Tickets to Athletics Fundraiser Before January 1 and Save

Tickets are now on sale for the WNC Annual Athletics fundraising dinner.

The event includes a three-course dinner, hosted beer and wine, raffle, and both live and silent auctions. Anaheim Angel and Bishop Manogue graduate Kevin Jepsen will speak at the event.

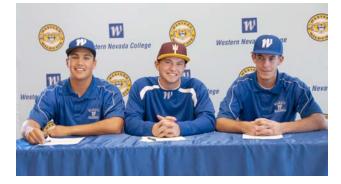
Tickets to the event cost \$75 or \$700 for a table of 10 for tickets purchased prior to January 1. On or after January 1, tickets will be \$100 each or \$1,000 for a table of 10.

To purchase tickets, contact WNC Foundation at 445-3240. <a href="http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-12-03c.php">http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-12-03c.php</a>

### Baseball Players Sign With Division I Schools

Three Western baseball players have signed letters of intent to play next fall for top college programs. The signing sophomores who will play for Division I colleges are rightfielder **Brooks Klein**, third baseman **Kevin Taylor**, and catcher **Patrick McMeel**. This brings the total number of Wildcats to sign D-I scholarships to 36 since November 2006.

http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-11-12a.php



# **SAVE THE DATE**

Friday, Dec. 24-Sunday, Jan. 2: Carson City campus open with limited services. All other campuses and centers closed.